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LETTER DATED 16 JUNE 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government and further to our letters concerning violations of Iraqi airspace by the United States Air Force, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft dropped incendiary bombs on Iraqi fields, which resulted in fires and hampered harvesting, as follows:

1. On 7 June 1992, at 1543 hours, a United States aircraft dropped an incendiary bomb on a wheat-harvest collection area in the Bakhaira region.

2. On 9 June 1992, at 1330 hours, a United States aircraft dropped incendiary bombs on the bank of one of the two wadis in the proximity of agricultural land in the Muhallabiyah zone.

3. On 10 June 1992, at 1830 hours, a fire broke out in the fields of Tarjala village, situated in Kalak District (Ninawa Governorate), on which United States aircraft had dropped incendiary bombs.

These cowardly attacks constitute a flagrant and unjustified violation of the cease-fire and reveal the falseness of the futile and slanderous United States assertions that the aircraft in question were carrying out observation operations in implementation of the resolutions of the Security Council. These attacks also reveal in the clearest possible fashion the covert aims of the United States, which are to cause physical and material harm to our people.

In informing you of these new violations, I request you to take the necessary steps pursuant to the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations with a view to halting these acts of aggression and preventing them from recurring.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abd al-Amir A. AL-ANBARI
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